

Chester Hicks

Louisville Metropolitan Area



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Summary

A Facilities Planning and Public Policy professional with over seventeen years of experience in working closely with for-profit, non-profit and government organizations at the local, state and federal levels. I have written columns and articles for nationally distributed periodicals, as well as plans for local communities and regions. My professional interests include economic development, strategic planning, transportation planning, computerized mapping and 3-D visualization techniques. My goal is to improve the Quality of Life for communities both large and small by synthesizing concepts and ideas and devising methods of implementation.

Specialties: Community Planning, Strategic Planning, Project Management, Program Evaluation, Local Economic Analysis, Cost-Benefit Analysis, 3-D Visualization, G.I.S. services, and Site Planning.

Experience



Project Manager

Louisville Downtown Partnership

Sep 2019 - Present (1 year 5 months +)



Administrative Officer

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG)

Jun 2014 - Sep 2019 (5 years 4 months)

Serves as the liaison for the Commissioner of Environmental Quality & Public Works among the six divisions and staff that report to the department

- Improve efficiency and effectiveness in paving operations by implementing a new Pavement Management System.
- Serves as the department's Emergency Operations Center Coordinator
- Guide annual snow and ice removal operations by producing the Snow & Ice removal plan
- Increased property tax revenue by administering the expansion of urban services
- Authorizes refunds where services are inappropriately billed.



Facilities Planner

SAIC

Sep 2012 - May 2014 (1 year 9 months)

Provided strategic and tactical planning for Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC) - Crane's Facility Management Department. Also, planned utilization of space and facilities consistent Crane's Master Plan.

- Wrote the Project Initiation Document for the development of NSWC Crane's Facility Master Plan.
- Provided Strategic Planning support for facility managers, department heads and division managers.
- Developed business facility requirements and planning services in various data management areas.
- Developed concept designs, planning and budgeting documents, and cost estimates.



Asst. Master Planer

Indiana Army National Guard

Mar 2010 - Sep 2012 (2 years 7 months)

Responsible for providing planning support & advice for the development of Indiana National Guard facilities and infrastructure.

- Performed space programming for new facilities throughout the military installation.
- Developed conceptual site plans for the construction of multi-million dollar facilities.
- Performed analysis of facility assets and needs for an active-duty installation.



Senior Planner and Evaluation Researcher


REACH of Louisville

Jan 2008 - Apr 2009 (1 year 4 months)

Conducted spatial analyses for selected data projects.

Provided statistical, and geographical analysis in preparation of a successful grant application for the Louisville Metro Health Department's "Health Starts" program.

Assist in the preparation of evaluation and research reports and presentations.



Director of Planning and Development

City of Jeffersonville

Nov 2004 - Dec 2007 (3 years 2 months)

Managed Jeffersonville's Planning and Zoning Department.

- Led a planning process that produced the city's first comprehensive plan in 15 years.
- Developed funding for the conceptual design of a multi-use bridge project that would connect Louisville, KY and Jeffersonville, IN, through a successful grant application.
- Served as Project Manager for short-range transportation studies such as: parking studies, multi-use trails, and bridge access conceptual designs.
- Coordinated the construction management of the Ohio River Greenway, a multi-million dollar, multi-use trail
- Performed GIS analysis for city boards and commissions.
- Implemented policy decisions for all City policy-making boards and City Council.
- Directed architects, contractors, developers and homeowners on the application of ordinances, codes, the Comprehensive Plan and city policies and procedures.



Comprehensive Planner

Kentuckiana Regional Planning & Development Agency

Jun 2002 - Nov 2004 (2 years 6 months)

Provided technical assistance to local governments in areas of planning and zoning, grant administration and other matters that relate to planning, growth, and development within the region.



Geographic Information System Technician

Skees Engineering, Inc.

Apr 2001 - Jun 2002 (1 year 3 months)

Assisted in the editing and processing geographic data. Performed other mapping and geographic imaging duties.



Regional Coordinator

The Council of State Governments

Jun 1998 - Jun 2000 (2 years 1 month)

Provided prompt, accurate and detailed responses to information request from state officials and colleagues.

Produced and updated information packets pertaining to state government public policy issues.

Wrote articles and columns published in non-profit organization publications.

Tracked, analyzed and reported on significant policies and trends impacting state government.

Visited state capitols and discussed public policy issues with legislators.

Education



University of Louisville

Master's, Urban Planning

1999 - 2001

Studied Public Administration and Urban Planning

President of Planning Student Organization

Vice-President of Master's of Public Administration Society



University of Kentucky

Bachelor's, History

1991 - 1995

Studied American History



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Skills

Strategic Planning • Community Development • Government • Project Management • Economic Development • Research • Public Policy • Land Use Planning • Data Analysis • Project Planning